

Town of Southern Shores

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Resolution No. 2006-01-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHERN SHORES TOWN COUNCIL RELATING TO NC12 IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) first presented its plan to widen NC12 to the Town Council in May, 2004, and this plan proposed widening NC12 to three (3) lanes from the Town's southern border to the intersection with Chicahawk Trail; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council met with NCDOT representatives and received public comment on the plan; and

WHEREAS, on June 1, 2004, the Town Council approved a compromise plan that called for installation of a three-lane improvement from the Town's southern border to Skyline, extending the left turn lanes at Chicahawk Trail, and for a cooperative agreement for the installation of stormwater drainage at a problem area near Southern Shores Realty; and

WHEREAS, this project was originally scheduled to be completed during the winter 2004-05 but was delayed by NCDOT; and

WHEREAS, the Town worked with NCDOT on the stormwater issues along NC12 (including the problem at Southern Shores Realty), jointly entered into a stormwater study agreement with NCDOT, and even recently jointly worked on pedestrian safety improvements to the NC12/Virginia Dare Trail intersection and at no time was there any thought that the original compromise was not the plan being developed for bidding by NCDOT; and

WHEREAS, despite reported funding shortfalls, NCDOT informed the Town on December 20, 2005 that the NCDOT project would widen the NC12 roadway to five lanes to Southern Shores Realty; four lanes to Skyline Road; and three lanes to the "split" at Duck Road/Ocean and the bidding would be underway in January 2006;


NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Southern Shores Town Council opposes any widening of NC12 beyond the compromise improvements to Skyline Road as approved on June 1, 2004; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Southern Shores Town Council finds the method by which the NCDOT surprised the Town with this action is unseemly and violates the cooperative spirit normally enjoyed by the Town and State agency representatives; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be given to Senator Basnight, Representative Culpepper, Division 1 Transportation Board Member Stan White, to the Mayors of all Towns in Dare County, and to such other people as the Mayor or Town Manager deem appropriate.

Adopted this 3rd day January 2006.

ATTEST:


Carrie Gordin, Town Clerk

